

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Anil V. Rao, Wayne R. Weilnau

Assignee: Dell USA, L.P.

Title: System and Method for Installing System Manufacturer Provided Software

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Examiner: Benjamin E. Lanier Group Art Unit: 2132

Docket No.: DC-01492

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### **RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

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This paper is responsive to the Office action dated September 24, 2002, having a shortened statutory period expiring December 24, 2002. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

### **AMENDMENTS**

## In the Figures

Formal drawings, which include margin corrections, are submitted herewith in a separate paper to the Official Draftsperson.

# In the Claims

The following is a clean version of the entire set of pending claims. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121(c)(1)(ii), Attachment A provides marked up versions of the claims containing the newly introduced changes.

1. (Amended) A method of selectively installing software onto a computer system,

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

Return Receipt Postcard; (1)

This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); (2)

(3) Response to Non Final Office Action;

Submission of Formal Drawings; and (4)

(5) Seven Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7).

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No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

#### **CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	Claims Remaining After <u>Amendment</u>		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present <u>Extra</u>		Rate	Additional <u>Fee</u>
Total Claims	22	Minus	22	=	x	\$18	\$ 0.00
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Claims	5	Minus	5	=	X	\$84	\$ 0.00

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12120107 Date of Signature Respectfully submitted,

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